

Report 2010-11

Faculty Convener: Ms. Shubra Sinha

Faculty Co- Convener: Mr. Naresh Kumar

The objective of Sangeetika is to give platform to those students who along with their academic engagements try to spare some time for learning and practicing Indian classical music (Hindustani as well as Carnatic). It's a small effort on our part to situate our cultural heritage in the academic setup. Although the criteria of taking students in ECA quota is their training in either of the classical traditions yet we are open to all kinds of experiments while performing. The society also takes pride of taking care of SPICMACAY chapter of the college.

The staff advisors of the society are:

DR. Archana Ojha, Dr. Alka aggarwal, Mrs. Shrimala Jain, Ms. Victoria.

The students members are:

Anupriya Sircar, Stuti Khemka, Shrimoyee Biswas, Ipsita, Shriya, Megha Sharma, Shruti Ramakrishnan.

During the academic year 2010-2011, Sangeetika in collaboration with Nupur (Indian dance society) successfully staged Guru Rabindra Nath Tagore's favorite dance drama Chitrangada in a new improvised form with Hindi dialogues seamlessly blending into Tagore's original musical soundtracks on 3rd & 4th Dec. 2010

Such a novel and unique attempt was made for the first time to reach a wider non- Bengali speaking audience. The attempt was greatly appreciated by all in the audience including the guests of honor Shri.Bijon Mukherjee and Dr.Ruchira Ghosh. Another outstanding feature of the presentation was the live music recitals, by the Sangeetika choir, which was without the use of any prerecorded musical tracks.

Sangeetika also organized Swaranjali, the annual inter college music competition during the college festival Ullas, held on the 2nd and 3rd of February 2011. The categories were: light music and group songs. The event received an overwhelming response. Dr. Savita Nigam and Mr. Vedmitra Shukla graced the occasion as judges.

Kamala Nehru College chapter of SPIC-MACAY organized a lecture-demonstration by eminent Manipuri exponent, Shrimati Charu Sija Mathur & Guru Singhajit Singh ji. In the past there have also been performances by Mrs. Uma Sharma, Mrs. Madhavi Mudgal, Ms. Vanashri Rao and Guru Jai Ram Rao.

The students actively participated in various competitions held at IIT-Delhi, Maulana Azad Medical College, Lady Harding Medical College, Lady Shri Ram College, Lady Irwin College, Gargi College, Hindu College, Venkateshwara College, Indraprastha College, Miranda House and won laurels in both solo and group category. The college choir was also active on the eve of Independence Day, Kamala Nehru Day, Orientation Day, Fresher's Day and Annual day.

The Indian Music Society organizes an intra college Music competition in Classical, Light, Patriotic and Folk category every year.

On the 28th of March 2011 Sangeetika in collaboration with the History Dept,organized Zikr-i-Faiz to celebrate the 100th birth anniversary of poet Faiz Ahmed Faiz. Dastangoi by Mr. Mahmood Farooqui with Mr. Danish Husain and musical performances by Dr. Madan Gopal Singh and party . This event was greatly appreciated both by college students and audience from outside.

Sangeetika remained involved in various other functions of the college throughout the year 2010 -2011.